



# Selwyn House News

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## Memories of the Late Fifties

This group of five graduating years were the last five classes, but one, to graduate at Redpath Street. In other words, this building (Lucas Gym) here has absolutely no memories or nostalgia value to any of the group I speak for.

Moreover, the school that I know was not only abandoned to that great conservator of downtown heritage properties, McGill University, but also demolished by my dear Alma Mater, erased from the face of the earth and replaced by the most nondescript block of condo apartments in downtown Montreal.

So, not only do we feel indifferent to these surroundings but also we have been 1984-ed as well. Our school only exists in our faulty and fading memories.

Ah, but what memories! My very first memory of Selwyn House was as a small red-headed boy in form D. I don't want to strain your credulity but all boys in form D



*Senior Old Boys—Roy Hastings, '37, Conrad Harrington, '26, Col. John Bourne, '32*

are small and at least two of them tend to be red-headed, unfortunately. I say unfortunately my memory is that the other small red-headed boy Tom, then Tommy, Carter was grabbed at the school gate and thrust into the Meteor by none other than my mother who drove off down Redpath Street until Tommy could convince her of the error of her ways.

I can forgive her now because there was more domestic help around those days and it was easier for mothers to forget the specifics of their children's appearance from time to time.

My last memory of Selwyn House was my graduation day. Our class had been pretty obedient and kept well in line by the likes of Messrs. Speirs, Phillips, Moody, Iversen, Davies, Tees, etc.. But I guess the prospect of being beyond the long arm of the school masters was too juicy an opportunity to let go. So our prefect studded group decided to booby-trap the school as a totally uncalled-for, unprecedented and unexpected act of better late than never worm-turning.

*See Late Fifties, page 9*

## Alain Weber goes West!



Alain Weber joined the Selwyn House Staff in 1972 as a member of the French Department. Later, upon becoming the Head of the Department, he not only unified the teaching of French throughout the School but also saw to the establishment of "La Sixième" (French Immersion at Grade VI). These achievements along with his sincere commitment to bilingualism throughout the School have all helped the School graduate students who have more than just an ability to speak French well; Selwyn House graduates have a good appreciation of French culture and its place in Canadian society.

In 1982, Alain was appointed Director of the Elementary School. In this capacity

he has shown himself to be an able administrator always with the interests of his students in the forefront. He has been a great support to both his colleagues and the many parents who have sought his advice. His extraordinary consistency of good judgement and fairness in all matters — academic and disciplinary — will be sorely missed by the Selwyn House community.

We all wish Alain and Nancy and their three children our best wishes as he moves to San Francisco to take up his position as Headmaster of the French American International School.

# Moo's Memories

Nowadays little information about trends in education seeps into my hermitage. I was therefore intrigued to hear a suggestion of a possible return to the essay-type answers which were the vogue when I first joined Selwyn House. I do not propose to argue the merits of the plan, but one thought does occur to me. It would at least revive a now forgotten source of amusement in school life. It needs, I imagine, a singularly sophisticated computer to be diverted by a reply such as "none of the above", and an even more resourceful examinee to infuse humour into choosing between (a) and (b). On the other hand, any boy invited to express his ignorance in his own words has a chance of enlivening his work with an unintentional pearl of misinformation.

I concede that the sprightliest specimens of what we used to call "howlers" were probably composed by teachers in an age when they still had leisure enough for such a pastime. I do not believe that any boy, however desperately pressed, would seriously define a polygon as a dead parrot, or would dare to translate "l'anglais avec son sang-froid habituel" as "the Englishman with his usual bloody cold". But boys could often unconsciously vie with their mentors in producing such gems.

After all, it needs no more than a careless spelling mistake to achieve a quite unexpected effect. Interesting mental pictures are conjured up by such classic examples as the fugitive rebel found cowering in a ditch, disguised as a pheasant, or the atrocity in Calcutta where a gross of men were shut in a small room with only one widow. I myself was once confronted with the claim that a good gardener keeps his pants moist, and the fact that a voyageur used to carry a canoe on his head while he made his pottage.

A more elaborate source is a confusion of ideas arising from a normal inattention in class and a consequent confusion of detail. How else does one explain the curious scientific proposition that days in summer are longer than in winter because things expand when they are heated? Or the statement that when Jacques Cartier discovered Montreal he called it Lachine because it looked like the land that God gave to Cain? A trifle more recondite, perhaps, is the revelation that in Lower Canada it used to be illegal for a man to be a bachelor.

Just as frequently these inspired contributions to dubious knowledge arose from a belief that if one writes something, however unconvincing, it is more likely to gain a mark or two than if one writes nothing at all. Instead of being able to toss up to select one of the suggested answers, it became necessary to conceal abject ignorance behind frenzied imagination. I suffered greatly from that in my early days when I was a pedagogic jack-of-all-trades in the then Junior School, where the boys were perhaps less diffident about writing nonsense. It was depressing, for instance, to find that I had somehow given the impression that a friar spent his time preparing the baronial breakfast. Nor was it a flattering testimony to my articulation to be assured that somewhere near Italy is a mountain called Strong Howley whose sides are covered with lather. But I disclaim all responsibility for the idea that a mountebank is the place where Canadian policemen keep their savings.

Perhaps it is as well that the exercise-book in which I collected such boners was long ago the victim of the periodical spring-cleaning to which my den was subjected. I might otherwise be tempted to continue the list indefinitely with the ideas from these anonymous authors.

In some ways, perhaps, it is a merciful dispensation of Providence that these curious statements are remembered long after their source has been forgotten. Yet curiously, two contributors to the store of improbable facts still remain clearly in my memory — but I have no intention of betraying their identity to the world.

One was the most unobtrusive member of his class in the Redpath days, whom no one would have suspected of such a lapse. I have since heard of him as a respected public official somewhere out west, but I still think of him as the inventor of a diabolic contrivance which has yet, as far as I know, to be exploited practically — a fire-extinguisher filled with zinc and hydrochloric acid. For his sake I hope that he has long forgotten offering such a notion to the world.

Clearer still in memory is another boy who possessed a facility for malapropisms which amounted almost to genius. I hope that he has outgrown so dubious a quality; it would be alarming to imagine what he could otherwise do with the medical jargon which is now his stock-in-trade. It was he who once intrigued us in an essay with the comment that his local vicar, as a preliminary to structural changes in his church, had been demoralising his vestry. By now he has probably forgotten the occasion which I still remember so distinctly after all these years. In response to my somewhat unflattering strictures upon an eccentric graph which he had submitted, he cheerfully explained that what he had drawn was intended to be a perambulator — "you know, sir; one of those things that comes from iniquity and ends up there again."



Welcome Alan and Sheila

## Elementary School has new Head

The Headmaster is very pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Alan B. Croome as Director of the Elementary School. Alan was born in Tasmania, Australia, in 1939. He is now a Canadian citizen, and his wife, Sheila, is a native of Ottawa. Alan brings broad and varied experience in teaching, consulting and administration. He received his M.Ed. in Educational Psychology and his B.Ed. in Educational Administration from Monash University. He received his B.Sc. majoring in Geology and Geomorphology, and his Certificate in Education, majoring in Science and Mathematics teaching, from the University of Tasmania.

Alan comes to us directly from the position of Principal of Ballarat and Clarendon College, a co-educational school of 800 students, K-12, including 160 boarders, 70 teachers and 50 ancillary staff, where he has been for the last two years. From 1982 to 1986, he was the Curriculum Enrichment Advisor for school district 57 in Prince George, British Columbia, where he supervised and coordinated a district-wide curriculum enrichment and gifted education programme.

As well, over the past eight years, Alan has given a great many workshops, lectures and demonstration lessons on enrichment, gifted education, critical and creative thinking skills and problem solving.

We feel very fortunate to have Alan join the staff at this time to help give our programmes the benefit of his experience and abilities. We extend a warm welcome to him and Sheila and look forward to their long association with Selwyn House.

## Welcome Class of '88 Old Boys' Association

On Thursday, June 2nd, this year's Grade XI Class was inducted into the Old Boys' Association. The President, Duncan Campbell '69, gave a short speech welcoming the new members and explained the purpose of the Association. Each graduate was presented with an Old Boy's tie and Class Photo. Ted Schopflocher and Justin Vineberg were selected as the 1988 Class Representatives. Along with the many staff present was Pat Marsh who came to see her last Grade I class prepare to leave School.



# TIBETAN LAUGHTER!

I spent six months teaching English in Tibet's capital, Lhasa, last summer. It was a unique opportunity to pass beyond the facade established by the ruling Chinese for short term tourists. I found a culture that was so manifest in its people, that I felt certain it was not sustained by doctrine or false ideals, but by the breath of the Tibetans themselves. I came to admire and love a people who did not look at their culture, as we do in the West, but lived it.

In class one morning, I was asked to give the meaning for the word 'civilized'. After a moment's thought, I decided to focus my explanation on the notion of tolerance; then explained simply that a civilized people would be tolerant of those who differed from them, and regarded all with equal respect. When I thought that 15 minutes of explanation had sufficed, I tested my class by asking if in their opinion the Chinese, as they are now, were a civilized people. The almost unanimous response of the class was 'No'.



In 1745, the Jesuits left Tibet crestfallen. Their work of 30 years showed in the conversion of 26 Tibetans. What the missionaries finally understood, was that the faith Tibetans had in their Spiritual heritage, was a faith so genuine that it was completely free from the paralysis of dogma, and was so alive as to be invincible without the slightest effort exerted by the Tibetans.

To this day, Christianity as other religions foreign to Tibet receive the genuine and spontaneous respect of the Tibetans, but not their faith. That remains bound to the land. Within each majestic mountain on the Tibetan plateau there sits a silent Buddha. The Chinese have recently pitted their strength against this faith.

As the streets of Lhasa swelled with military personnel, at night terrorizing the inhabitants by driving with rabid sirens blaring and weapons drawn, I frantically sought escape routes over the Himalaya Range for my close Tibetan friends.

Though I should have anticipated their response to my proposal, it was nonetheless disquieting. They faced torture and possibly many years in labour camps, yet they rejected outright the idea of escape to Nepal. When I besought them to at least consider, if not make preliminary plans for escape, my friends simply smiled and said, "English and Tibetans very different". With that, they urged me to understand what was clear and beyond argument to them, and yet equally inexpressible for them. I understood that they had drawn a line between action and inaction, between fatalism and the fight to control their destiny, and there they stood. This was their Middle Way.

They accepted the events that had led to their uncertain and dangerous situation as they accepted the start and eventual end of our relationship: as that natural stream of events flowing from all that they and I had done and been. In the way that we had

met, befriended each other, and would eventually say farewell, they had freely chosen to demonstrate peacefully against their oppression and would stay by their family and in their country for as long as it was possible. What was to come, was not for them to predict, but to accept. We did not speak about the Himalaya and Nepal again.

During the last weeks of my stay in Lhasa, in the midst of uncertainty about when the next demonstration will take place, how the Chinese will respond, and who will be taken from their homes that night, I felt wonder at the calm of the Tibetans. I panicked, as they imperceptibly maintained their faith and continued to labour and laugh.

If one loved Tibetans for their laughter, how much more can one admire, respect, and love them for their laughter at this time.

Aymen Nader

Aymen Nader '81, recent graduate of University of British Columbia. He is a member of the "Canada Tibet Committee" and is presently writing about his travels.



Except for two Chinese, all my 20 students were Tibetan. In spite of their youth, between 17-25 years, all knew well the horrific truth of what the People's Liberation Army (PLA), and the fanatical Red Guard during the Cultural Revolution did to strangle their family, their culture, and their religion.

I ended the discussion in order to relieve my two outnumbered students from further embarrassment. After class, I posed the same question to myself about Tibetans — are Tibetans a civilized people?

I recalled reading that when the first Christian missionaries arrived in Tibet, in the early eighteenth century, they were greeted with such hospitality and enthusiasm for their religion, that they believed their endeavour would be an easy one. In fact, Tibetans surprised the missionaries by openly paying homage to Christ from the outset. They believed, as they do today, in the universality of God who is manifest in a multiplicity of forms to the peoples of the World. In their religion, the Buddha himself had set the precedent by expounding on Buddhism in four distinct elucidations according to the spiritual level of his audience.





## Senior Debaters Dominate

On March 4-5, Selwyn House hosted the 1988 Quebec Student Debating Association Senior Provincial Tournament. Twenty teams of students from Grades 9, 10 and 11 represented nine schools at the debating year's most important event, which was run with the help of over 45 Selwyn House students who acted as moderators, timers, guides and tabulators.

The tournament featured six rounds of debate. The first two were parliamentary style on the prepared resolution "Be it resolved that euthanasia be legalized in Canada", and these were followed by two prepared cross-examination rounds on the question "Should euthanasia be legalized in Canada?" The last two rounds were impromptu academic style debates on topics ranging from "Be it resolved that parents should be seen and not heard" to "Virtue is its own reward".

Selwyn House entered four fully prepared teams and two swing teams. After the six rounds of debate, **Ryan Victor** and **Justin Vineberg**, **Mark Freiheit** and **Michael Wexler**, **Eric Dilda** and **Joel Scott**, and **Farhan Memon** and **David Moroz**, placed first, second, third, and fourth teams, respectively. This is a feat never before accomplished by any school. Our swing teams of **Greg Speirs** and **Eugene Dimitriou** placed well considering they only found out that they would be debating three days before the tournament, and our other swing team of **Anthony Brown** and **Warren Valdmanis** did surprisingly well considering that they had been assigned to work as moderator and timer, and were called upon to debate at the last minute on Saturday morning when another school's team was unable to debate due to a medical difficulty.

Because the debating association's rules prohibit two teams from the same school from debating against each other in the final round, **Ryan Victor** and **Justin Vineberg** debated against the fifth place team

from L.C.C., **Peter Balasubramanian** and **Michael Vathilakis**, while our second, third, and fourth place teams sat out the round, automatically awarded second place. After a good debate, the judges awarded a split-decision to the team from L.C.C. Consequently, **Ryan Victor** and **Justin Vineberg** won the trophy for Second Place Team of Two, which was shared by our other three teams. The teams of **Mark Freiheit** and **Michael Wexler**, along with **Eric Dilda** and **Joel Scott** won the trophy for Best School.

In individual performances, other than those in the final round, **Farhan Memon** placed eighth, **David Moroz** placed fifth, **Joel Scott** placed fourth, **Eric Dilda** placed third, **Michael Wexler** placed second, and **Mark Freiheit** won the trophy for Best Individual Speaker. In all, we took three out of four trophies, which is the most possible under the rules. Never before has a school come close to this achievement. The previous record was held by Selwyn House at last year's Provincials when we took a trophy for Second Place Team of Two and a trophy for Best School, but this year, in addition to these, we also won the trophy for Best Individual Speaker.

These students swept the Provincials, and we should all be proud of them. I have no hesitation in saying that they are the very best group of debaters I have ever seen at any school, at any time. Congratulations!

### Debating Notice

Selwyn House will be hosting the International Independent School Public Speaking Tournament Wednesday, through Saturday, October 26 - 29, 1988. All are welcome to attend.

## Something Different

When people bring up the subject of fishing, one thinks of it as something carried out occasionally during their childhood. In the past, fishing has been regarded as a means of survival. Presently, however, it has evolved into a sport practised by over sixty million Americans alone. It has been raised to such a height that professional competition has become as serious a sport as any. The winning angler would gain an average of thirty thousand dollars cash. The goal is to catch the greatest weight of fish per limit. Most of these tournaments support the release of the fish and a strict penalty is imposed if dead fish are brought in.

Probably, the most popular gamefish in North America is the Largemouth and Smallmouth Black Bass. Other fishes are very popular as well, such as Pike, Walleye, Salmon, and Trout. Bass are relatively small fishes compared to the rest of the others. They tend to congregate in shallow water and that is the reason why they are preferred by most anglers. They are extremely aggressive and acrobatic as well. Fishing in the Great Lakes can be expensive because of the need for specialized depth control equipment for large Salmon and Trout.

Pollution and fishing pressure has unfortunately decreased the amount of fish in our waters. Conservation has become a must to preserve our natural resources for future prosperity. To keep up good fishing, we should release all the fish not going on the dinner plate or on the wall. Numerous fishing clubs across the continent are encouraging catch and release tactics. People interested in this magnificent sport can easily become members of various organizations in their region. This summer, we plan to organize one or more fishing expeditions in our region. We hope to eventually form a Club called The Northern Fishermen. If you would like to help us plan a trip this summer, contact either of us through the school.

Remember: Catch and Release is a Life of Peace!

Minya Gavrilovic  
Anthony Zitzmann



*They catch them small but tasty.*

# The "Caine" Mutiny Court Martial

## A Huge Success

This year's Senior Play, directed by Dr. Byron Harker and produced by Mr. Marc Krushelnyski, was one of the School's most successful productions. A serious court-room drama, it proved continuously absorbing and entertaining for the audience, and it gave the actors great opportunities for strong, dramatic, even pathological and comic characterization. As Captain Queeg whose odd behaviour prompts the mutiny, **Blake Ferger** gave a particularly brilliant performance.



*Adversarial stars Doug Naudie (Judge Advocate Challee) and Jared Tobman (Defense Attorney Greenwald), both Class of '88 square off.*



*Mr. Marc Krushelnyski, Producer (in his Captain's hat, a gift from the cast and crew) and Ms. Carol Manning, Makeup Lady, salute the photographer.*



*L to R: Psychiatrist, Dr. Lundeen (Warren Valdmanis, '90), Judge (Anthony Brown, '90), and Captain Queeg (Blake Ferger, '89) psych up before the show.*



*L to R: Court Clerk (Brian Thompson, '89), Judge (Eugene Dimitriou, '88) and Signalman Urban (Michael Verchere, '88) wait for cues to go on.*

## Where Did They Go

On April 21, you might have heard the Grade 7's making an excess amount of noise as they prepared to leave by bus. You might have asked yourself, "where are they going?"

On that Thursday, we, the Grade 7's, left for a two-day trip to the capital of Canada, Ottawa. Upon arrival, we disembarked at the Parliament Buildings and had a half hour tour which included a trip to the Library and the Senate of Canada.

At the end of the tour, we were dismissed for two hours to eat lunch and to do any shopping we wanted. The next museum, which was fascinating was the Museum of War starting with Seventeenth Century muskets to the modern machine

gun. Before going to our hotel, the Lord Elgin, we visited Laurier House which is the former residence of Sir Wilfred Laurier and Rt. Hon. W.L. Mackenzie King. The rooms of this house were filled with memorabilia of the two Prime Ministers.

Dinner was consumed at the hotel restaurant that evening. Following this, we swam in a nearby public pool. The stay at the Lord Elgin Hotel was a very comfortable one. We enjoyed a breakfast buffet before setting out for sightseeing the next morning.

On our second day, the first visit was to Rideau Hall, the home of the Governor General of Canada. We admired the ballroom and three other rooms which were

all magnificent. A stop at the Aeronautical Museum demonstrated how air travel has progressed. During the afternoon, we visited the Supreme Court of Canada, and we were informed, in detail, by a guide, about the process of law leading to the Supreme Court. Here, we ended our stay in Ottawa.

We all enjoyed the trip very much and thank the teachers for organizing it. I wonder how many boys slept as well as I did when we arrived home.

Christopher Mann 7C

# Toronto has an active season

Denny Creighton '72, President of the Toronto Chapter, greeted the Old Boys in his amiable fashion at the Albany Club for the Annual Toronto Old Boys' Dinner. The Headmaster, and Jack Martin, Senior Master, Alain Weber, Head of the Elementary School, and David Williams, Director of Alumni, arrived from Montreal to bring greetings from the School. The Headmaster reported that the beginning of the new academic year had started off very well. He spoke about how competitive it was becoming for entrance to the School and explained the admission policy in some detail. He then went on to outline the athletic and extra curricular activities. He was especially encouraged by the ever increasing turnout of the younger generation of Old Boys. All Old Boys were cordially invited to drop in to the School any time they were in Montreal.

The following slate of officers was presented and unanimously approved:

President: De Wolf Shaw '66, Vice President: Murray Steeves '75, Secretary: Ted Nash '80, Ex-Officio: Denny Creighton '72.

After a delicious meal, Bruce Barker '68 spoke on deregulation and how it affected the Canadian financial community.

The Annual Spring Cocktail Party was well attended and turned out to be a most enjoyable evening. The Headmaster was introduced by De Wolf Shaw '66, the new President, spoke and answered questions about the School to those present. He mentioned his travels out west with the School Hockey Team during the Olympics and his meeting with Calgary Old Boys who gave him and Joann a warm and enthusiastic welcome.

David Williams spoke about the year of "Contact '88" and how important it had been in reaching the Selwyn House community. What better time to launch our first



*Chris Carter '78, David Miller '80, David Williams '80, David Stevenson '81, Ted Nash '80, exchanging first business cards*

year of "Annual Giving" than in the School's 80th year. The Chairman of "Annual Giving" is William Hesler '58, who is presently on the Board of Directors, was Past-President of the Old Boys and is father of John '87 and Tom '98.

Various reports and statistics were made available to give an idea of the continuing building of our alumni which presently stands at about 3000 of which 45% are active. Do help us find the remaining 55%!

Ian Small, Reed Ballon, John Shannon and David Stevenson were in fine form representing the class of '81. Also present were John Shuter '44, James Creighton '51, Chris Roper '72, Mark Davidson '78, James Nadler '78 and Nicolas Harnack '87.

It was most pleasant seeing Alexis Troubetzkoy who was in fine form and is presently the Headmaster of the Toronto French Schools.

It was a fine year in all respects and we look forward to seeing you all again.

Do try and join us if you haven't in the past.



*Elliot Kaufman '75, Bruce Barker '66*



*William Mitchell, Graeme Watt '73, Tony Graham '73*



*Helen and John Matheson '68, Willie Molson '69*



*Richard Blundell '78, Greg Thompson '80, Alexander Gault '80*



*Murray Steeves '75, Vice-President, De Wolf Shaw '66, President, Ted Nash '80, Secretary*



*Corey Nicholson '73, Mark Stapleton, '75*



*Chris Roper '72, Caro Creighton '70's (The Study), Andrew Creighton '80*



*Richard Small '76, Chris Powell '77*

## Dates to Remember 1988-89

**Monday, October 24**  
Ottawa Old Boys' Reunion

**Second week in October**  
Halifax Old Boys' Reunion

**Wednesday, November 2**  
Founder's Day

**Monday, November 21**  
Toronto Old Boys' Reunion

**Friday, April 29 to May 1**  
Montreal Old Boys' Reunion  
Weekend



*Reed Ballon '81, John Shannon '81*

## Halifax Reunion

The Headmaster and his wife, Joann, will be in Halifax the third week of October 1988 to attend the Canadian Association of Independent School (C.A.I.S.) conference for heads of school. As a result, we are planning a reunion for alumni, former parents, and friends of the School. Anyone interested in attending or helping organize the event are asked to contact:

Ulrika and Carl Sandblom or the boys, Mikael '84, Jakob '86, Olaf '89 or Erik '91 at: 1044 Bland Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3H 2S8; Telephone: 902-422-5577; or David Williams at the School.

# MONTREAL SALT FAIRE

On May 2nd, 1988, the Old Boys' Dinner in Montreal was attended by about 150 people. Drinks were served in the Macaulay Building giving many who had not seen our new facilities an opportunity to inspect them. At 8:00 p.m. dinner was served in the Lucas Gym, with Jack Martin delivering the School Grace.

One of the evening's highlights was the presentation of an Old Boys' tie to Mr. Alain Weber who is leaving the School to take up his appointment as Headmaster of the French American International School in San Francisco after 16 years of dedicated service to Selwyn House. As an honorary Old Boy, Alain was then called upon to give the Loyal Toast.

Craig Shannon, President of the Old Boys' Association, chaired the brief business meeting. The slate of the incoming board was presented and approved:

President: Duncan Campbell '69

Vice President: Cary Miller '67

Sec.-Treasurer: Bryan Fitzpatrick '74

George Maris '76

James McLean '75

Peter Russel '60

Gordon Usher-Jones '69

Greg Weil '68

Robert Drummond '84



*Fafi Gault and John Barnard '17*

Craig Shannon '71, related the sporting events of the year, a highlight of which was the 1st Annual Ball Hockey Tournament sponsored by Selwyn House at Brébeuf College this spring. Teams from Stanstead, Bishop's, Westmount High, L.C.C. and Selwyn House participated. This year the Staff Challenge Cup (Hockey for the Old Boys and Badminton for the Staff) remains at a draw. The winter competition was a disaster as far as turnout, because of a snow storm, and the baseball game was cancelled because of rain. Perhaps tiddly-winks would be a safer competition!

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*Ben Graham '86, Peter Shatilla '86, Peter Morden '86, Andrew Bradley '86*



*Dean Barriere '77, Kevin Radcliff '77, Bruce Williams '77*



*John Featherstonhaugh '43, Eric Hamovitch '68*



*Andrew '76 and Anthony '74 Sharp*



*Tim '77 and Bryan '74 Fitzpatrick, John Hastings '73, Robert de Aguayo '82, Thor Valdimanis '81*

# AT OLD BOYS' REUNION

Craig Shannon, the retiring President, was then thanked by Duncan Campbell for his hard work over the past years and was presented with a token gift. At the Head Table, Craig was joined by Will Mitchell, Mr. Moodey, Tom Birks and Duncan Campbell.

The Headmaster spoke of the Old Boys' Association and how it is contributing so much to the well-being of the School. He also made mention of the First Annual Giving Campaign which is to get under way in the Fall of 1988, under the guidance of its Chairman, Bill Hesler '58. Mr. Moodey (in his inimitable style) entertained his audience before asking everyone to charge their glasses and toast The School.

At the end of the dinner, David Williams was called upon to introduce the representatives of the years being honoured at this dinner. The Class of '38,

who unfortunately had no representatives present, was honoured by some reminiscences by Col. John Bourne '32. Then we were entertained by Christopher Hyde who recalled his days at Selwyn House in the late fifties. (See accompanying article). The youngsters of 1978 were honoured by a brief recollection of his school days by James Nadler. Joining him at his table were Robert Spiegel, Chris Carter, Charles Gelber, Benji Shaer and Sam Gold.

It was also a pleasure to see so many of the Old Boys from other years getting re-aquainted, especially John McLeod '68 seen chatting with James Coristine '66; Roswell James '72, Past President of the Toronto Chapter, who is now back in Montreal; some of the more recent graduates, Robert Koenig '82, and Grant Daly '82. One table of last year's graduates made up of Michael Olders, Andrew Carswell, Billy Lloyd and

Andrew Waterston appeared to be having a good time.

Retired Staff, Chris (Markland) Borchart, Jim Iversen, and Warren Reid, were warmly welcomed by the Old Boys.

Special thanks go to Russell and Blanche Henwood and the kitchen staff for the superb roast beef dinner, and to the boys of Grade 10 who did such a grand job of waiting on tables, selling tickets, etc.

Next year's Old Boys' Reunion weekend will take place beginning on Saturday, April 29th with the Old Boys' rugby game, and then the Dinner on Monday, May 1st. If you are a member of the classes of '39 and '64 and '79, begin planning now what you want to do next year and get in touch with your fellow alumni or David Williams at the School.



John '70 and Father Gordon '24 MacDougall chatting with the out-going President, Craig Shannon '71



Warren Reid catching up on former student Andrew Osterland '81 activities

## Late Fifties, From page 1

We stuffed toilet paper in the bells, gave bloody noses, hats and scarves to some particularly hideous plaster busts, did something nasty to the bible for assembly and a number of other juvenile things. But my best and most vivid memory is that of the late Gordon Phillips, a real piano pounder of a choir master, turning vivid shades of puce and purple as the thumping of the keys for the hymn gave out a sound more appropriate to a Klondike saloon, since as we had stuck thumb-tacks in all the hammers of his upright Baldwin piano.

Mr. Speirs asked who was responsible, we all owned up and later received the expected tirade and lecture that made it all worthwhile doing.

In between these first and last memories crowd a hodge podge of images such as:

- George's famous shepherd's pie
- Playing stando against the south wall of the school
- Being awakened by a piece of chalk in the face hurled by Jeff Davis
- Doing mental arithmetic every Friday with Mr. Moodey

- Having your head flattened by Jim Iversen's Chardenal text-book
- Walking 2 by 2 up the path to the soccer fields on the mountain from the steps at Côte des Neiges and buying licorice and bubble gum at the little store in the Trafalgar Apartments afterwards from the man with the red face and the funny German accent.
- Playing cricket on a bumpy pitch beside Douglas Hall, up behind Molson Stadium
- Waiting outside Mr. Phillips' office for a few strokes from "tickling Toby"
- The pleasant surprise when Jeff Davies would read a few chapters of a novel by Neville Shute instead of teaching the regular history class
- Racing to get the nets for ball hockey at break-time
- Inching away from Dwight Brainerd at Monday assembly. Dwight used to shovel out the cowshed at the family farm in Cowansville in his school clothes early Monday mornings before driving in — Dwight didn't change his boots.

These are all random memories that



Guy MacLaren '83 and Martin Essig '83

have to make do in the absence of an old school to go back to and wander around in.

Except for one thing. Because Selwyn House ended at Grade 9 in those days, we all have another school to go and visit. But for me, the best school is the one in my memory.

Christopher Hyde '57

# A FIRST IN CALGARY



*Dr. and Mrs. David J. Lewis '35*



*Taylor Grey '73,  
Standing Alone!*

The Senior Hockey Team's Visit to Murdoch High School near Calgary was a great success, and Joann and I were delighted to be able to join them for three of the days during the Winter Olympics. Thanks to the work of Neil Bird '74 there was an excellent turnout of Old Boys and their wives from the Calgary area at a Cocktail reception held at the Airport hotel. They represented classes of '35 to '82. The interest and enthusiasm shown convinced us of the viability of a Calgary Chapter of the Old Boys' Association. We displayed some photographs of recent developments at the School and talked about them and answered many questions about the curriculum and programmes at Selwyn House.

The trip was a wonderful experience for us. We all felt fortunate to be in Calgary during the exciting time of the Winter Olympics.  
Wm. Mitchell



*Dr. John '69 and Terry Pearce '69*



*Mark Newton '68, and Andy Weldon '73*



*Stephen Ludgate '71 and Philip Creery '53*



*Hosts, Neil '74 and Nicholle Bird, and Stephen Ahern '82*

# FIRST OLD BOYS' BALL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT enjoyed by all.



Chris Clarke '86, Geoffrey Adams '83, Geoff Moore '83, Michael Riley '87



Craig Shannon '71 and son Trevor '2000?



George Maris '76 and Jim McLean '75



John MacDougall '70, Jonathan Goldbloom '72



Mark Roper '73, Robert MacDougall '71

## Recent Alumni Recognized

Selwyn House recent graduates continue to excel at Marianopolis College — seven boys were placed on "The Dean's List" because they completed six courses during the Fall term and had an overall average of at least 85%. Those boys are: In Science I: Gary Porter '87, Wayne Hsiao '87, Andrew Leslie '87. In Science II: Michael Zenaitis '86, Daniel Zakaib '86, David Tang Wai '86. In Arts II: Sam Sniderman '86.

Gary Porter ranked first out of almost four hundred Science students last term. He has won one of the Sister Mary MacCormack Scholarships for the Winter Term. These are offered to the top four Science and top four Arts students. Well done, boys!

## Mathematical Challenge

On the strength of their performances in the 1988 Canadian Mathematics Competitions, Jean-Paul Kovalik and Michael Wexler were invited by the University of Waterloo to participate in the Canadian Invitational Mathematical Challenge last April 17th. This amounted to a two hour examination consisting of five questions. The two boys were given the peace and quiet of the Mathematics Department Office to "wrestle" with the questions.

The second question of the examination gives an idea of the level of difficulty. It read: "The sum of several consecutive positive integers is 90. Find all such sets of integers, and show that these are the only solutions." (Readers are invited to submit their answers to the Selwyn House News).

To qualify, Jean-Paul and Michael had to place among the top 140 high school contestants in the country in their respective grades. Of approximately 28,000 Grade 10 students in Canada who wrote the Cayley Contest, Jean-Paul was 25th and 1st from the province of Quebec. Michael, writing the Grade 11 Fermat Contest, was 47th of about 23,000 in Canada and 6th in Quebec.

The purpose of the challenge is to "encourage those students with exceptional talent to develop their skills more fully". Jean-Paul and Michael are to be congratulated for their achievement. We should not overlook the effort behind their success.

Andrew Lumsden  
Head, Mathematics Department

## Nicolas' Vision For Others Continues

Friends of Nicolas Matossian '87, who died last year of cancer, organized a concert in April, named "Show of Concern — Moment de Manifestation" at The Spectrum in Montreal, to support the fund he had established before his death, to help less fortunate children in their fight for health.

This fund will be used to start the first palliative care service for children in a Canadian hospital; to acquire a new ceiling-mounted operating microscope for the department of neurosurgery; and to provide equipment for a molecular biology laboratory.

The present laboratory is located on the fourth floor of the D-wing of the Montreal Children's Hospital. With new and advanced equipment, the Nicolas Matossian Laboratory will offer a new dimension in the study of pediatric cancers.

Contributions may be made to the MCH Fund N77, Montreal Children's Hospital, 2300 Dorchester Boulevard West, Montreal, Quebec, H3H 2R5.

# Elementary Prizegiving

The Elementary School Prizegiving took place on June 14th, 1988, and the following awards were given. In each class, a student is awarded 1st prize for excellence in all subjects. The next prize in each class is given to the student who has shown a consistently strong effort throughout the year. There are also certificates of merit which are awarded to students who have distinguished themselves because of the effort and the work they have been putting into a particular subject.

- 1A 1st Prize: **Jordan Goldwarg**  
Prize for Effort: Rahul Dhar  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Jeremy Baskin & Benjamin Anderson  
Math: Alex Tsoukas  
French: Samuel Malkinson
- 1B 1st Prize: **Jonathan How**  
Prize for Effort: Christopher Sakara  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Jesse Steven  
Math: Christopher Mathot  
French: John Katiforis
- 2A 1st Prize: **William Carney**  
Prize for Effort: Michael Durcak  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Morgan Lackenbauer & Michael Tsoukas  
Math: Peter Menzel & Colin No  
French: Christopher Martoni Marco Gagliano
- 2B 1st Prize: **Mischa Auerbach-Ziogas**  
Prize for Effort: Jean-Nicholas Roy  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: James Kisiliew & Daniel Caune  
Math: Sean Cristine & Thomas Sontag  
French: Nicholas Yanow Andres Kanacri
- 3A 1st Prize: **Alan Sarhan**  
Prize for Effort: Scott Friemann  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Ethan Tobman  
Math: Dimitri Ranos & Joseph Ayas  
French: Billy Azeff Timothy Martoni
- 3B 1st Prize: **Jeffrey Imber**  
Prize for Effort: Patrick Dubeau  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Gandhar Chakravarty  
Math: Tri Vinh Van  
French: Matthew Mulligan Seber Chuang
- 4A 1st Prize: **Anthony Blaikie**  
Prize for Effort: Jordan Socaransky  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Richard Calve  
Math: Robert Fargnoli  
French: Eric Goldwarg Andrew Lassner



*Alain Weber Keeps Fit*

- 4B 1st Prize: **Taylor Lloyd**  
Prize for Effort: Kyle-Sebastien Pilot  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Hugo Blomfield  
Math: Christopher Ludgate  
French: Nayyer Ghadirian
- 5A 1st Prize: **Patrick Brown**  
Prize for Effort: Bradley White  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Patrick Brown  
Math: David Haber  
French: Jonathan Tryansky Shawn Rosengarten
- 5B 1st Prize: **Andrew Coristine**  
Prize for Effort: Pierre Covo  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Christopher Gayton  
Math: Andrew Chiu  
French: Matthew Beckerleg Jay Waldron
- 6A 1st Prize: **Steven Bekhor**  
Prize for Effort: Ryan Antoniadis  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Diogo Bustani  
Math: Christopher Bedicik  
French: Anish Thomas

Laura McLean Prize for the boy who is the most improved reader in Grade 1.

**Jamie Deitcher & Joshua Chinks**

Headmaster's Prize awarded to the student in Grade 2 who shows the most consistent effort throughout the year.

**Toby No**

Constance Moodey Memorial Prize given to a student in Grade 3 for all-around ability.

**Wittaker Mathot**

The Helen Speirs Memorial Trophy awarded to a boy in Grade 4 for outstanding character.

**Colin O'Reagan**

Junior Award for Public Speaking.

**Patrick Brown**

The Prize for all-around ability in Grade 5.

**Jamin Kerner**

Le prix Alain Weber is awarded to a student who has made the most improvement in the ability to communicate in French.

**Stephen Greene**

The Prize for all round ability in Grade 6.

**Blair Pattee**

Mrs. Markland Prize given for distinction in Public Speaking.

**Richard Brooks**

The Selwyn House Chronicle Cup awarded for the best essay written in Grade 7.

**Colin Grey**

E.G. Brine Award is given to the student who displayed outstanding effort, enthusiasm and ability in Grade 7.

**Christopher Mann**

- 6B 1st Prize: **Freddie Sarhan**  
Prize for Effort: Justin Ajmo  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Kenneth Aranda  
Math: Robbie Boeckh  
French: Alex Lal Massaud Kakkar

- 7A 1st Prize: **Ali Dibadj**  
Prize for Effort: Colin Grey  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Benjamin Wakrat  
Math: Richard Brooks

- 7B 1st Prize: **Jacques Khalip**  
Prize for Effort: Jeffrey Scott  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Sina Ghadirian  
Math: Ari Brojde & Daniel Flanders  
French: Kenneth Yau Andrew Horsman

- 7C 1st Prize: **Christopher Mann**  
Prize for Effort: Donald Vinh  
Certificate of Merit:  
English: Tom Fleiszer & Andrew Taylor  
Math: Scott Abramovitch  
French: Scott Abramovitch & Willie Goldman

# Professor Bruce Shore, Guest Speaker at Graduation Exercises

The secondary School Prizegiving and Graduation Exercises took place on June 16, 1988. Mr. Tom Birks, Chairman of the Board, welcomed the guests and Jared Tobman '88 was the Valedictorian.

After the presentation of the diplomas to the graduates, the Headmaster made his report in which he recognized two members of the Staff: Leigh Seville and Jack Martin. He thanked Leigh Seville for his twenty years of effective teaching, loyalty and consistent service to the School. He recognized Jack Martin's twenty-five years service and how fortunate the School has been in having benefited from the distinguished and loyal service that he has given in his roles as teacher and administrator.

He also thanked Ellen Pinchuk for her consistency of work in so effectively encouraging her students to produce the best of their artistic talents.

In his address, the guest speaker, Professor Bruce Shore of the Faculty of Education, McGill University, pointed out to assembled boys, teachers, parents and friends some aspects of the history of education as it related to private schools and its relevance to the development of mass public education. He also stressed the importance of providing an enriched programme for some of today's students.

Following the prizegiving graduates, their parents, the Staff and invited guests enjoyed the reception held in the Macaulay Building.

## Secondary School Awards

Grade 8, 1st **Michael Echenberg**  
2nd Prosanto Chaudhury  
3rd Charles Matouk

Grade 9, 1st **Ian Kronish**  
2nd Marc Andersen  
3rd Sammy Sirdeshpande

Grade 10, 1st **Blake Ferger**  
2nd Jean-Paul Kovalik  
3rd Richard Tang Wai

**DISTINCTION IN FRENCH**

**David Moroz**

**DISTINCTION IN ECONOMICS**

**Alexander von Veh**

**DISTINCTION IN CREATIVE WRITING**

**Douglas Naudie**

**Jared Tobman**

**DISTINCTION IN GEOGRAPHY**

**Justin Vineberg**

**THE MOODEY PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS**

**Michael Wexler**

**DISTINCTION IN LITERATURE**

**David Moroz**

**DISTINCTION IN PHYSICS**

**David Moroz**

**DISTINCTION IN CHEMISTRY**

**Michael Wexler**

**DISTINCTION IN LATIN**

**Blake Ferger**

**MEIGHEN WRITING PRIZE**

**Michael Echenberg**

**THE D.W. CHRISTIE HISTORY PRIZE**

**Jared Tobman**

**PUBLIC SPEAKING PRIZE**

**Michael Wexler**

**THE E.C. MOODEY DEBATING PRIZE**

**Eric Dilda, Mark Freiheit, Farhan Memon**

**David Moroz, Ryan Victor, Justin Vineberg,**

**Michael Wexler**

**THE PATRICIA MARSH DRAMA PRIZE**

**Michael Verchere**

**REDPATH HERALD AWARD**

**Justin Vineberg**

**THE THOMAS HENRY PENTLAND MOLSON  
PRIZE FOR GENERAL EXCELLENCE**

**Michael Wexler**

**THE JOCK BARCLAY MEMORIAL TROPHY  
(For all-round Distinction in Grade 8)**

**Charles Matouk**

**THE ERNST BRANDL MEMORIAL TROPHY**

**(For all-round Distinction in Grade 9)**

**Robbie Johnston**

**THE ROBERT A. SPEIRS MEMORIAL AWARD**

**(For all-round Distinction in Grade 10)**

**Blake Ferger, Jean-Paul Kovalik**

**YALE CLUB OF MONTREAL BOOK AWARD**

**Paul Guinness**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

**NATIONAL BOOK AWARD**

**David Moroz**

**THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S BRONZE MEDAL**

**(For Academic Distinction in Secondary School)**

**David Moroz**

**THE THOMAS CHALMERS BRAINERD**

**MEMORIAL AWARD**

**(Awarded to the Senior who has combined an enthusiastic and purposeful approach to School activities with generous concern for the welfare of others.)**

**Matthew Stevenson**

**THE JEFFREY RUSSEL PRIZE**

**(Awarded to the Senior who has shown outstanding all-round ability and character.)**

**Douglas Naudie**

**THE LUCAS MEDAL**

**(Awarded to the Senior who has made the most outstanding contribution to the life of the school by way of academic achievement, leadership in games and activities, and by good example.)**

**Jared Tobman**



*Back Row left to right: Matthew Stevenson, Michael Verchere, Robbie Johnston, Jared Tobman and David Moroz.*

*Front Row left to right: Blake Ferger, Jean-Paul Kovalik, Douglas Naudie, Justin Vineberg, Michael Wexler and Charles Matouk.*

# Athletic Awards

## Football

Grade 7 most promising  
Bantam most improved  
Bantam M.V.P.  
Juvenile defensive M.V.P.  
Juvenile best lineman  
Juvenile M.V.P.

Matthew Kerner  
Michael Henderson  
Steve Issley  
Jeff Beaty  
Alasdair Martin  
Douglas Naudie

## Soccer

Grade 5 & 6 most promising  
Grade 7  
Bantam most improved  
Bantam M.V.P.

Chris Dedicik  
Mark Spence  
David Levenson  
Jerry Jao

## Midget Soccer

Most improved  
M.V.P.

Fred Yoo  
Ian Williams

## Juvenile Soccer

Most improved  
M.V.P.

David Winn  
Michael Avedesian

## Basketball

Grade 5 & 6 most promising  
Grade 7 most promising  
Bantam M.V.P.  
Midget most promising  
Midget M.V.P.  
Juvenile M.I.P.  
Juvenile M.V.P.

Chris Dedicik  
Robert Maranda  
Joel Guinness  
Jamie Rutledge  
Greg Fok  
Jamie Ritchie  
Paul Pathy

## Hockey

Grade 5 & 6 most promising  
Grade 7 M.V.P.  
Bantam M.I.P.  
Bantam M.V.P.  
Juvenile M.I.P.  
Juvenile M.V.P.

Blair Pattee  
Mark Spence  
Brian Sandford  
Nicolas Audet  
Eric Jabal  
Michael Avedesian  
Douglas Naudie

## Wrestling

Most promising  
Most improved  
Most outstanding

David Levenson  
Russell Grant  
Richie Schwartz

## X-Country Skiing

Most effort

Adnan Mian

## Squash

Sr. M.V.P.  
Sr. most improved

Philip Quaid  
Greg Speirs

## Tennis

M.V.P.

Scott Katz

## Curling

M.V.P.

Scott Macdonald  
Tyler Rochford

## Badminton

Most effort

Zahir Banji  
Gordon McKinnon

## X-Country Running

Most effort

Ian Rae

## Rugby

Bantam most promising  
Bantam best forward  
Bantam best back  
Midget most promising forward  
Midget best back  
Midget coach's award  
Juvenile best back  
Juvenile M.V.P.

Tim Fleiszer  
Serge Mostowy  
Robert Geller  
Greg Speirs  
Greg Fok  
Oneal Bannerjee  
Jason Tsadilas  
Michael Verchere

## Junior Athlete of the Year

Mark Spence

## Senior Athlete of the Year

Michael Avedesian  
Douglas Naudie

## Sportsman Guild

Michael Avedesian  
Jeff Beaty  
Greg Fok  
Russell Grant  
Paul Guinness  
Peter Higgins  
J.P. Kovalik

John Mulder  
Douglas Naudie  
Richie Schwartz  
Jared Tobman  
Jason Tsadilas  
Michael Verchere  
Ian Williams

## Bantam "C" Basketball

This season is the third in which the school has entered its Grade 7 team in this tough division. Our squad this year improved greatly, even though our won-loss record might drive Bobby Knight to suicide. With many players committed to the

programme — and to a spell this summer at basketball camp — we hope to defend ably the championship won by this year's "A" team. Eleven boys will return as Bantams.

G. Dowd



*Jean-Paul Kovalik being congratulated by Guest Speaker, Bruno Pietrobon*

# SPORTS REPORT

## Varsity Provincial Champions

On Friday, March 4, the Selwyn House Varsity Hockey Team travelled to Bishop's University in Lennoxville, Quebec to participate in the Quebec High School Provincial Tournament for the first time in our school's history. The Gryphons, who enjoyed a very successful season despite a slow start (4 wins, 8 losses before Christmas; 24-12-2 record overall), finished the year with four timely victories. The team advanced from the tournament's round-robin play to semi-final play by handily defeating St. Thomas, a team to which the Gryphons had lost earlier in the season, by a comfortable margin of 9-3, and Massey-Vanier, the tournament favourite, by a score of 5-1.

The Varsity team, coached by **Steve Mitchell** and **Tom Nicoll**, advanced to the sudden-death round, transformed from underdog to heavy favourite. Accustomed

to playing under the pressure of the amicably hostile crowds that greeted the team in the exhibition games it played while in Calgary this past February, the Gryphons exploded for five goals against Pierrefonds in the semi-final game. **David Hinchey '89**, a bulwark in front of the Selwyn twine, shut out the stunned losers. In the Championship Game, the Gryphons met Massey-Vanier again, and again defeated them by a margin of 5-1 to win the honourable title of Provincial Champions. Led by tournament all-stars **Michael Avedesian '88**, **Michael Verchere '88**, and **Douglas Naudie '88**, the entire team finally played to its potential, bringing home trophy, title, and the prestige that goes with winning the 1988 QASA Provincial Championship.

Jared Tobman '88

## Seniors Tie for Gold

For Selwyn's cross-country ski team, this was the year of the skaters. Most team members worked at developing their freestyle technique — with good results. The juvenile team of **Adnan Mian**, **David Moroz**, **Farhan Memon**, **Gordon McKinnon** and **Tyler Rochford**, won the final race on Mount Royal to finish in a three way tie for the G.M.A.A. Championship. The midget team of **Ian Rae**, **Danny Yelin**, **Francesco Del Bianco**, **David Meisels** and **Scott Bakar**, finished second in their division. Among bantam skiers, new boy **Paul Laperrière** showed talent and promise, and claimed the individual silver medal.

## Bantam A Basketball Champs

This year's team won the School's first ever Bantam "A" Championship. They were undefeated in league play with 12 wins and beat H.S. Billings in the semi-final to advance to the finals against Wagar.

The final saw captain **Joel Guinness** score 31 points, his season average, to help upend Wagar by the score of 58-51. **Kierra O'Reagan's** 3 point basket at the buzzer helped us to a 7 point half-time lead. Down the stretch the rebounding of **Dimitri Martin**, **Michael Echenberg** and **Tim Daly** helped us control the boards, while **Colin Robertson**, **Charles Tingley**, **Hugh McGuire** and **Serge Mostowy** played aggressive defence and controlled the ball.

This was the culmination of two years of hard work for the boys at the bantam level, 7 of whom had gone to summer basketball camps to hone their skills. This team has played exciting basketball and hopefully will continue at the Midget "A" level next year.

Peter Govan



*The Team!*

# Crossfield Greets Gryphons

On February 12, after a lot of hard work and organization, the S.H.S. Senior Hockey Team was ready to leave on its long awaited trip to Calgary. Mother Nature, however, had other plans. She dumped fifteen centimetres of snow on us, and we were delayed about six hours. The boys amused themselves by playing backgammon, reading, or wandering around the airport. After many promises of imminent departure, we finally flew out of Dorval at 10:30 p.m. The flight itself was fairly uneventful and the majority of us read, watched *Hello Again*, or slept. The landing got our blood going again (ask Mr. Mitchell's) as we hit some turbulence. We were to be met at the airport by Steve Etcheverry and our billets and whisked off to Crossfield to get some much needed sleep. With our luggage surrounding us, we sat and waited, and waited. Our long day wasn't over yet. Mr. Mitchell impatiently paced the airport mumbling as he walked. It turned out Steve was at the opposite end of the Airport with the bus. Finally, we hooked up and we were off on the second leg of our journey, to meet the billets.

## Hot Tubs

Our last instruction to the boys was to meet us at the Peter Knight Memorial Arena in Crossfield at 4:00 Saturday. I believe the boys' night was more pleasant than ours. Details from Mr. Mitchell only. We thought the boys would be tired from the long trip and drained from sitting in hot tubs. Much to our surprise, the boys came to play. This game was meant to be our toughest against the big, bad Carstairs Midget "A" Bruins. We jumped into a 7-1 lead and coasted to a 8-5 victory as the boys tired in the third period. We weren't used to three twenty minute stop time periods! The hosts seemed a bit surprised that we defeated such a highly touted team. They wanted a re-match. **The Senior Gryphons** proved that we play tough, competitive hockey in Montreal as well. In this game, **Doug Naudie** and **Ian Williams** were our steadiest players.

Sunday was a much needed day of rest, and it gave the boys time to get acquainted with their billets. Mr. Mitchell and I, for something completely different, took in a college hockey game in Calgary. Mr. Mitchell's assessment was, "Brutal!" It was an early night for coaches as Monday promised to be an action packed day.

The boys congregated, or were supposed to (Avo and Jabal were hot tubbing), at 8:30 Monday morning for a study hall in which they were expected to do some reading. After a healthy lunch that was provided for us by the mothers, the boys attended classes with their billets. Ostensibly, Monty Price did an admirable job of teaching his grade eight French class!

*See Olympic Fanfare next page.*



*John Mulder '88, John Feilding '89, Ronald Simpson '90, Fred Yoo '89, David Hinchey '89*

## Selwyn House Hosts Invitational Bonspiel

For five hours on Friday and Saturday, 26th and 27 February, Selwyn House hosted four other schools — Ashbury College, Centennial Academy, L.C.C. and Royal West Academy — at a Curling Bonspiel. Round-robin games were played with all teams showing excellent skills and fine sportsmanship. Selwyn House entered two teams, one from Grade 11 and another from Grade 10. It was the Grade 10 team, skipped by **Willie Dodge** with **Kevin O'Brien**, **Blake Ferger** and **Nicholas Syn-**

**nott**, which won the Bonspiel, losing only one game out of five.

This Bonspiel rounded out an excellent season for Selwyn House curlers, who, in G.M.A.A. competition, won Silver medals for their over-all second place finish.

Much credit for this success is due in large part to the fine leadership of **Scott Macdonald** and **Tyler Rochford** ably supported by **Matthew Stevenson** and **Justin Vineberg**, not forgetting the Grade 10 curlers mentioned above.

## Elementary Hockey at Montreal Forum

The Elementary School Hockey Team completed its current season with an over-all record of 9-6-2. Defencemen **Jamin Kerner** and **Blair Pattee**; goaltender, **Paul Logothetis**; and centerman **Jonathan Brady** were outstanding at their positions. Additionally, all of their teammates made solid contributions to the overall success of our well-balanced club. This year's team won the Consolation Round of the Lower Canada College Tournament, finishing third out of eight teams. We also finished third out of nine teams at the Appleby College Tournament (see results below). Perhaps the highlight of the season was the final game of the year — against the Westmount Atom

All-Stars — in the rink at the corner of Ste Catherine and Atwater. Needless to say, the players and coaches greatly enjoyed the experience of imitating their favourite NHL personalities in the Forum.

David Cude, Mike Maurovich, coaches

### LCC Tournament

UCC 3 SHS 1  
SHS 6 Greenwich, Conn. 2  
SHS 5 LCC 3

### Appleby Tournament

SHS 3 UCC 1  
Crescent 3 SHS 1  
Crescent 2 SHS 0

## Olympic Fanfare

Calgary and the Olympic fanfare awaited us. That evening we dined at the Keg 'N Cleaver and took in the Czechoslovakia-U.S.A. game. The enthusiastic support of the boys for the Czechs caused some irritation to a few feverishly patriotic American fans to the point where Steve (Beaver) Barkman was threatened with bodily harm! We all made it home safely to Crossfield.

Bright and early on Tuesday we had a light practice and Avo managed to make it on time! We left immediately after the practice for Drumheller to explore the Tyrell Dinosaur Museum, one of the finest of its kind in the world. Students and staff spent about three awe inspiring hours inspecting relics of a lost era. There was much to learn but there was also time to play with computers. For instance, you could create your own dinosaur and find out if it would have survived. The museum also included a greenhouse of plants that have survived from the dinosaur age. The boys had some time to shop in beautiful downtown Drumheller before we departed for our game in Beiseker. The boys suddenly started to look like cowboys. I don't think so many cowboy hats had been bought in one day in Drumheller in a while. I heard one of the boys comment upon leaving that Drumheller was a nice place if you were a dinosaur!

## A Bevy of Beauties

We were greeted with an opening game ceremony in Beiseker that rivalled the Olympics ceremony. After an introduction of each player, a bilingual National Anthem, an exchange of gifts, and a bevy of beauties skating around with various flags, the game got underway. Once again the boys rose to the occasion and we trounced our hosts 8-5, much to the chagrin of the packed arena. After the game, our hosts graciously entertained us to a dinner at the local town hall. It was an example of real rural hospitality. A good time was had by all.

Unfortunately, Wednesday turned out to be an uneventful day. The ski jumping was cancelled so we never did get to see Eddie "the Eagle" perform. The boys spent the afternoon in Calgary shopping and started to look even more like cowboys. New spurs, whips, gloves and neckerchiefs were added to complete the urban cowboy image. That night we played a reinforced Chestermere team and won 4-2.

Thursday was to be our longest day yet. The boys were up at five o'clock to be able to leave by six o'clock for Lake Louise. According to the boys, the skiing was "awesome" and the hills were a severe challenge to most skiers, especially the novices. The highlight of the ski day was spotting Peter Mueller on a practice run. After five hours of skiing, the hot springs offered a relaxing change. While it was 20°F outside, the water registered a warm 101°F. We dined on prime rib (yet again) in Banff and then headed to Cochrane to play the Cochrane

## Elementary Basketball Outstanding

The team had an outstanding season with an overall record of 19 wins and only 3 losses. We won the Selwyn Invitational Tournament, the Lower Canada College Invitational Tournament and were the Montreal Elementary Basketball Association League Champions.

The league comprised 7 teams and this was the second consecutive year that Selwyn has reigned as champions. Team captain **Chris Dedicik** led the team in scoring and was ably assisted by **Massoud Kakkar**,

**Tom Pitfield**, **Stephen Green**, **Anson Le**, **Ryan Antoniadis** and **Brian Vroom**.

Some 25 boys played and it is hoped that these younger players in grade 5 like **Neil Hunt**, **Stuart Weigensberg** and **Bradley White** will have profited from their experiences of this year and will go on to lead the team in 88-89.

Coaches **Carol Manning** and **Peter Govan** appreciated the enthusiasm of the boys and the loyal following of parents who came to watch.

## Bantam Hockey Proves Cohesive

The Bantams closed their 1988 season with a 6-10 and 5 record, which was in some ways disappointing. Six of these losses were by a goal, and most of these goals occurred in the last five minutes. Still, the team could not be accused of relaxing its efforts in any but one game.

The team was the most cohesive I have coached. Our captains were **Mark Andersen** and **Nick Audet**, and our assistant captain was **Warren Valdmanis**. Warren's rakish wit and unconventional stride lightened our moods repeatedly. Nick led our point-getting and Mark developed into a forceful hitter.

Goaltending duties devolved upon **Matthew Shapiro**, **Karl Schwarz** and **Damion Stodola**, but Matthew played almost every

game. Shapiro was often the subject of applause among our small but loyal following of parents. Other individual performances that impressed me were those of **Luke Carsley**, a superb passer; **Brian Sandford**, a hard-nosed right winger; **Keith MacDonald**, a great corner man, and **Dylan Adair**, a promising young rushing defenceman. Other regulars include **Sandy Brown**, whose bursts of speed were as sulphuric as his on-bus debating; **Matthew Cohen**, another superb passer; **Sean Gilman**, **Derek Bradeen** and **Robert Iasenza**. Several players saw sporadic action in games but continued to give their all in practice. To these as well I offer congratulations for a season well played.

Pat Shannon



*The Up and Coming!*

**Midget Bulls**. Coach Mitchell and I didn't expect the boys to perform well because of all the other activities during the day. However, the boys surprised us and with five minutes remaining, we were ahead 7-4. Suddenly, the proverbial roof fell in and we had to settle for a 7-7 tie. The game's highlight was the refereeing. Not only did he disallow one of our goals, he disallowed two in one period! In addition, they scored a goal he didn't count at first and then after some vociferous complaining by the Cochrane players, he decided it was indeed a goal! Needless to say, it was a quiet drive home as the boys were exhausted.

On Friday, our boys entered the Air Band competition and led by **Jared Tobman's** imitation of Michael Jackson, won first prize. The boys also handled themselves admirably in the rodeo competition — **Eric Jabal** looked like a real

bronco buster! That afternoon we were witness to the superior skills of the big red machine as the Soviets rolled over the West Germans 6-3. In the evening the boys danced themselves weary at the W.G. Murdoch St. Valentine's Dance. That was the final official activity of a very hectic week.

Saturday was a day spent with the billets and just winding down. Sunday we met at the school for the long haul home. We were dreading any possible delays; however, the flight was on time and we were home in Dorval a mere 3½ hours after departure. It was a great trip, one in which the boys were both participants and spectators and, I'm certain it enriched them in many ways, some of which, as yet unrealized. We'd like to thank all the parents for their cooperation and support.

T. Nicoll, S. Mitchell

# At the Other End of the Line!

Meet....



*Diana Kuilman, Will Mitchell's Administrative Secretary*



*1988 Grads Ted Schopflocher, Marc Vinh, Matthew Stevenson*



*Pauline Tierney, Secretary to the Secondary School*



*A few more '88 grads Carl Brabander, Carleton Evans, Neville Quinlan*



*Anne-Marie Snabl, Receptionist*



*Elizabeth Carrique, Receptionist*



*Christine Krushelnyski, Printing, Receptionist and wife to Marc*

# Old Boys' News

**John F. Angus '58**, is Director of Eco Corporation in Willowdale, Ontario, and lives at Silver Creek Farm, R.R. 2, Caledon, Ontario.

**Thomas Antony '83**, is completing his final year in Liberal Arts majoring in history at the University of Chicago. He hopes to attend McGill in the Fall of 1988.

**Jon Birks '60**, has been very active as class rep and has been in touch with many of his fellow class-members, one of whom is **Dr. Steven G. Ayre '60**, who wrote Jon the following:

*Good to get back in touch. Here is what I am up to lately:*

*I moved down to the Chicagoland area with my family in 1982. Currently practicing family medicine with a group of physicians in Lake County, north of Chicago. I am an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at the Chicago Medical School, an active member of the Lake County Medical Society's liaison committee with the Chicago Medical School, and President of the Lake County Tuberculosis Board. In 1986, I authored a publication entitled "Insulin potentiation therapy: a new concept in the management of chronic degenerative disease" and I am currently working on an important program of basic scientific research to develop this innovative drug delivery protocol for*

*use in this country. This has applications in the treatment of AIDS and cancers of the breast and lung. Living and working in this land of opportunity is very stimulating — but there's still no place like home and I usually manage to get back there every year or so.*

Steven now lives in Antioch, Illinois, with his wife, **Laura**, and their three daughters. Do visit us the next time you are in Montreal.

**Donald Bloxam '76**, His address is Montreal (514-866-5491), Toronto (416-593-4114), and Vancouver (604-733-9750). If you need a new suit, call him.

**Shane P. Brady '81**, was recently seen in Montreal after finishing his M.B.A. at Long Island University. He is to be married this spring to **Lisa Brown** in Ottawa.

**Adam Bruun '85**, His new address is: Estersvej 22A, St. TV, 2900 Hellerup, Denmark.

**Paul Boubli '87**, was recently accepted into the University of Pennsylvania's Management and Technology programme. It is a combined undergraduate degree programme offered by the Wharton School and the School of Engineering and Applied Science. Each year only fifty students are admitted to the programme.

**Michael Holy '77**, was very active at the Westin Hotel in Calgary during the Olympics. However, he was still able to find the Headmaster and his wife, Joann, a room during the School's Hockey Team visit out west. He has since been transferred as number two man at the Westin in Winnipeg. Good luck, Michael.

**John Housez '81**, is presently residing in Victoria, B.C.

**Richard Iton '78**, has completed his Masters at McGill in Political Science and is studying for his Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins in Maryland. His brother **Tony '80**, is also at Johns Hopkins going into his final year of Medicine. Brother **Brian '80**, is at the University of Maryland going into his final year of Law.

## Directors of the Old Boys' Association 1988-89

### Montreal

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Murray Steeves '75, Vice-President  
Ted Nash '80, Secretary

**Douglas T. Kennedy '81**, is working with MacMillan Bloedel (Pulp Division) in Vancouver.

**Max London '69**, has recently returned to Montreal after five years in Ottawa to assume Senior Consultant responsibilities with Continental Grolin/Harris, one of Canada's leading public relations consultancies. He is married and has a seven year-old son, Jason. Welcome back to Montreal.

**William B. McIlvaine, M.D. '69**, is practicing at the Children's Hospital in Denver, Colorado and writes:

*Although I left Selwyn House in 1966 to attend Deerfield Academy, I remember very fondly my four years at the school. I consider my period at Selwyn House to have been the single most important educational period in my life. I hope the standards set then by men like Mr. Speirs, Mr. Moodey, Colonel Brine, and Mr. Iversen continue today.*

*One of my most vivid memories, on a par with George's Shepherd's Pie, was the Grace said in Latin by the Headmaster before the noon meal. I would very much enjoy seeing the Grace, written in Latin, with an accompanying English translation. It would be nice to know what we were listening to every day.*

*After graduating from Stanford University in 1974, I attended the Faculty of Medicine at McGill through 1978. My internship at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital (1978-9) led to an anaesthesia residency also at McGill. I spent one year at The Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago (1982-3) before coming to Denver. I currently practice paediatric anaesthesia and do clinical research in acute and chronic pain management in children.*

As requested, here is the Grace:

**"Concede, domine deus, ut omnibus his donis ad tuam gloriam utamur."**

**"Grant, O Lord, that we may use all these gifts to thy service."**

Now, everyone has it!

**James Nadler '78**, Besides writing plays and graduating in law from the University of Western Ontario, James has recently been admitted to the Upper Canada Law Society. It was good seeing you at the Old Boys' reunion.

**Ted Nash '80**, is Secretary-Treasurer of the Toronto Chapter of the Old Boys. He puts time in at the National Bank of Canada's Merchant Banking Group.

**Chris Orvig '71**, is presently Assistant Professor of Chemistry at the University of B.C. He will be delivering Research Lectures in Europe during the summer on his research group's work in Biological metal ions.

## Warren Men's Wear

has moved to Sherbrooke & Claremont  
4972 Sherbrooke W. Westmount.  
484-3982

## James Bartlett Morgan

As on Old Boy (1919-21) and as a long-serving Member of the Board of Directors (1955-77), Mr. Morgan's interest in the School cannot be underestimated. In 1955 he supervised a fund-raising drive for improved facilities in the Redpath Street building, not the least of which was a dining hall.

By 1961, the necessity of providing education through to grade XI was becoming more and more important as greater numbers of boys were leaving the School at Grade IX or earlier to attend boarding school. A committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Justice Hyde was established along with Mr. Morgan to consider the feasibility of acquiring a new building. Our present Lucas Building fortuitously had just come on the market. Without further ado the committee recommended to the Board that it purchase 95 Côte St. Antoine. The Redpath Street property was purchased by McGill University, thus providing the necessary funds to acquire the new property.

Mr. Morgan's long and active interest in the School has contributed much to its well-being today. For this we will be eternally grateful.

We extend our condolences to Mrs. Morgan and her daughter, Elizabeth. Mr. Morgan was predeceased in 1982 by his son Jamie '65.

**Max Plojing '80**, After leaving Selwyn, Max went to Chicago with his family where he attended Northwestern University. He is presently studying for his M.B.A. at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania.

**Leo E. Ryan '24**, is now living in Victoria, B.C. The Headmaster had a visit from Leo during the late fall. Do drop in again when you are in Montreal.

**Craig J. Shannon '71**, retiring president of the Old Boys' Association and presently chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors, has been appointed Vice-President of Edgcombe Real Estate Services Ltd., Montreal.

**Geoffrey Skinner '77**, After graduating with his M.B.A. from The London Business School in June, 1987, Geoffrey visited his brother **David '82**, in China where David had been studying Chinese. He has since been accepted into McGill Law School. Geoffrey is now working for Morgan Stanley in New York. This summer he is to be married to **Belinda Beattie** in England. **Stephen Scott '77** is to be best man. Sounds like a good party. Best wishes to you both and welcome to the Selwyn House family, Belinda.

**Clive Spiegel '80**, After studies in England and active in theatre in Toronto, Clive is returning to Montreal and McGill University in the fall. We hope to see you around S.H.S. in the near future.

**Denis Stevens '82**, has just received his bachelor of arts degree 'magna cum laude' in government from Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. He received the John Harvard Scholarship each year for the highest academic standing. He was a member of the visiting fellows committee of the Harvard Institute of Politics and treasurer of the Harvard Canadian Club. Denis participated in several volunteer programs: Phillips Brooks House Association and "An Evening of Champions of Eliot House" for cancer research, and played intramural squash and soccer. He will be entering law school in the fall. Congratulations from the Selwyn House community.

**Eric Stevenson '75**, recently stopped by the School for a visit and some reminiscing about hockey amongst other things. Eric informs us that he is a manager with London and Continental Bankers Ltd., London. He is expected to be in on the Skinner celebrations.

**Peter Stewart '81**, is in Commercial Real Estate Services, with Royal LePage in Ottawa. Peter has been working to establish an updated list of Old Boys in the Ottawa area. He looks forward to seeing you all at the Reunion in Ottawa in the fall. (Tentative Date, Monday, October 24, 1988).

**Fr. M. Peter Timmins '49**, is now living in Bromont, Quebec.

**Kim Vaughan '71**, stopped by to visit the School during the spring. He now lives in Santa Monica, California, and is associated with Vision Accomplished Inc., International Satellite Services. Your visit was most enjoyable. Drop in again!

**Patrick S. Phillips '57**, is Director of Administration, University of Toronto, Scarborough Campus.

**Scott Weyman '74**, is with the Royal Bank in São Paulo, Brazil.

**Pat Marsh**, former head of the Elementary School is now working at her writing and is a volunteer with AIDS patients in Montreal. She was recently a guest of the Old Boys at their induction dinner of the Senior Grade into the Association. Several of the seniors had been in her Grade I class, eleven years ago. She was also at Senior Prizegiving presenting the **Patricia Marsh Drama Prize** to **Michael Verchere '88**. Also, in her active life, Pat is a grandmother of nine grandchildren which keeps her on the go.

**Robert Walford '71**, is living in Toronto and is Real Estate Manager (Domestic and International) for the Bank of Montreal. We hope to see you at the next Old Boys' Reunion in Toronto.

**R. Benton Jackson '33**, We hear from Mr. Jackson that he is retired and living in Cantley, Quebec.

## Marriages

**Charles C. Gurd '67**, to Patricia Thomson, December 4, 1987, in Montreal.

**Jamie Turner '76**, to Martha Solis, December 4th, 1987, in Mexico. They are presently residing in Denver, Colorado. Best wishes to you both.

**H. Brandon Ayre, M.D. '68**, married Anni C. Loewengutt, April 1st, 1987, in Venice, Italy. "Brandy" is well and living in Eastern Long Island. He sends regards to "Whiskey" (i.e. G. Weil '68).

## Births

**To Reginald and Marilyn Groome '71**, a daughter, Samantha Dale, on November 21, 1987. Sister to Erica and Royce. Reg is Director of Human Resources, Canada Steamship Lines Inc., Montreal.

**To William and Penny Pedoe '54**, a daughter, Rebecca Gale, on July 1st, 1987, in Toronto. Welcome to the Selwyn House family, Rebecca.

## Obituaries

**Harrington, John Eric '28** at the Montreal General Hospital on July 10, 1988, beloved husband of Hazel Hastings and brother to **Conrad F. Harrington '26**, and brother-in-law to **Roy Hastings, '37**, Uncle to **Roy '69** and **John '73**.

**Peets, Professor Donald L**, suddenly on June 6th, 1988, in Montreal. Beloved husband of Marion Best and father of **Douglas '78**. Douglas is presently on the faculty, teaching debating.

**Gaelan O'Donnell '83**, Accidentally at Hamilton, Ontario, June 26, 1988. Youngest son of Liliame and Vincent O'Donnell Jr. and brother of **Graham '76**.

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